

DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY AND
APPOINTMENT OF DOMESTIC REPRESENTATIVE

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled LEAKAGE COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENT IN A CONTROL DEVICE FOR A FULLY HYDRAULIC STEERING SYSTEM,

the specification of which

(Check X is attached hereto.
one) _____ was filed on _____ as
Application Serial No. _____,
and was amended on _____
(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to be material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §§1.56 and 1.63(d).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)			Priority Claimed	
<u>102 46 882.6</u> (Number)	<u>DE (Germany)</u> (Country)	<u>14 October 2002</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u> X </u> Yes	<u> </u> No
<u>103 21 109.8</u> (Number)	<u>DE (Germany)</u> (Country)	<u>16. May 2003</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u> X </u> Yes	<u> </u> No

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States Provisional Application(s) listed below:

			<u>Priority Claimed</u>	
<u>(Number)</u>	<u>(Country)</u>	<u>(Day/Month/Year Filed)</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §§1.56 and 1.63(d) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

<u>(Application Serial No.)</u>	<u>(Filing Date)</u>	<u>(Status) (Patented, Pending, Abandoned)</u>
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I hereby appoint practitioners DONALD H. ZARLEY, Registration No. 18,543 and TIMOTHY J. ZARLEY, Registration No. 45,253 at the ZARLEY LAW FIRM, P.L.C. as my attorneys or agents to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent and all correspondence relating to *this* application, and to transact all business in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and the said attorneys or agents are hereby given full power of substitution and revocation.

APPOINTMENT OF DOMESTIC REPRESENTATIVE

The above-identified attorneys, also known as Zarley Law Firm P.L.C., whose postal address is Capital Square, 400 Locust Street, Suite 200, Des Moines, Iowa 50309-2350, United States of America, are hereby designated applicant's representative upon whom notices or process in proceedings affecting the patent may be served. Said firm shall take instructions from my foreign patent agents in all matters affecting this application and the patent.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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